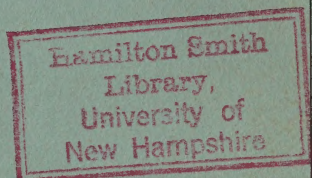


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Town of Plaistow



Annual Report of the Selectmen,
Treasurer, Collector, Board of
Health, Board of Education and
Trustees of the Public Library
for the year ending February 15,
1904, with the Vital Statistics for
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ANNUAL REPORT
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LYNN, MASS.
WHITTEN & CASS, PRINTERS,
No. 33 Munroe Street.

TOWN OFFICERS.

OFFICERS BIENNIALY ELECTED.

REPRESENTATIVE TO THE GENERAL COURT.

JOHN W. SLEEPER.

MODERATOR.

GEORGE A. DENONCOUR.

SUPERVISORS.

JOSEPH S. HILLS, DANIEL J. KELLEHER,
FRANK J. PAYNE.

TOWN OFFICERS ELECTED ANNUALLY.

SELECTMEN.

ALLEN M. GOSSELIN, HARRY R. SEAVER,
CHARLES E. DAY.

TREASURER.

JOHN W. SLEEPER.

COLLECTOR OF TAXES.

JOHN H. NOYES.

TOWN CLERK.

JOSEPH S. HILLS.

CONSTABLE.

JOHN BADGER.

ROAD AGENTS.

CHARLES E. DENONCOUR, ORA B. WILLIAMS,
ISAAC H. POLLARD, FRANK N. GAUVIN,
JOHN A. BARTLETT, GAYTON C. GREELEY,
EPHRAIM A. KIMBALL.

BOARD OF HEALTH.

EDSON E. PEASLEE, EDMUND H. NOYES,
JOHN H. NOYES.

TRUSTEES OF THE PUBLIC LIBRARY.

MRS. JENNIE B. DAVIS, MISS SUSAN F. CASS,
MISS CORA B. POLLARD.

AUDITORS.

EDSON E. PEASLEE, FRANK PARKER.

THE STATE OF NEW HAMPSHIRE.

*To the Inhabitants of the Town of Plaistow, in the County of
[L. S.] Rockingham, in said State, qualified to vote
in Town affairs.*

You are hereby notified to meet at Town Hall, in said Plaistow, on Tuesday, the eighth day of March next, at one of the clock in the afternoon, to act upon the following subjects :

1. To choose all necessary Town officers for the year ensuing.
2. To raise such sums of money as may be necessary to defray Town charges for the ensuing year, and make appropriation of the same.
3. To choose one Trustee of the Public Library.
4. To raise money for the support of schools.
5. To see what sum of money the Town will raise for Public Library.
6. To see if the Town will vote to raise, and appropriate the sum of One Hundred dollars (\$100), providing however, the citizens of the Town shall raise a like amount, for the proper observance of Old Home Week, during the month of August, 1904.
7. To hear the reports of the various Town Officials, and take action on the same.
8. To transact any other business which may legally come before said meeting.

Given under our hands and seal this eighteenth day of February, in the year of our Lord nineteen hundred and four.

ALLEN M. GOSSELIN,	}	SELECTMEN OF PLAISTOW.
HARRY R. SEAVER,		
CHARLES E. DAY,		

A true copy—Attest :

ALLEN M. GOSSELIN,	}	SELECTMEN OF PLAISTOW
HARRY R. SEAVER,		
CHARLES E. DAY,		

REPORT OF SELECTMEN.

To the Town of Plaistow:—

In accordance with the requirements of the Public Statutes of the State of New Hampshire, the undersigned, selectmen of said town, hereby make report of their financial transactions for the fiscal year ending Feb. 15th, 1904, and of the financial condition of the town at the close of said year.

In connection therewith they beg to call attention to the following matters of special interest to our citizens, aside from the facts shown by the financial statements.

Through the generosity of Mr. Arthur G. Pollard, the public park at the Centre has been regraded, planted to grass and shrubbery, conveniently pathed and sidewalked, and otherwise permanently improved and beautified. He has also extended the lawns, and placed shrubbery around the town hall; and parked the Great Elm. In recognition of these, and former benefactions he has made our town, your selectmen duly adopted appropriate resolutions of appreciation and thanks, which have been spread upon our records and a copy presented to our benefactor.

In addition, the park he has thus adorned has been named in his honor, "Pollard Square."

We are pleased, also, to report that we have finally succeeded in obtaining from the Haverhill, Plaistow & Newton Street Railway Co. the fulfillment of substantially all the requirements of the town, based upon the conditions and agreements made in the location and license granted the company by the town three years ago.

After laboring diligently but fruitlessly with the company for more than a year to keep its agreement, in May last we gave the matter into the hands of Frank C. Smith, Esq., for such legal

action as would secure to the town its full rights in the matter. The result of the proceedings instituted by the attorney was that in July the officials of the company yielded to every requirement insisted upon, and promptly thereafter began work in accordance with the understanding then had.

The principal features of the work thus done by the company are the following: Driveways and walkways crossing the tracks from private property have been rebuilt with larger culverts and broader space. It is understood that these were to be constructed "to the satisfaction of the abutters." Accordingly any complaint concerning such work, if made to the selectmen, will be duly attended to. The switch bed at the car barn has been planked; the sidewalk along the Wm. H. Hill's property, where the filling-in was done, has been properly supported by a stone wall and a guard rail run along the embankment; the planking of the rails opposite the entrance to the cemetery has been extended, and the gutter and outer edge of the sidewalk at the cemetery have been stone paved and faced; the stump in the walkway at John Badger's has been removed, and the sidewalk there rebuilt; the wall supporting the roadway at the bridge near the school-house has been overhauled and improved, the drainage there perfected and the driveways to the brook for watering purposes have been cleared and defined. The track-bed at Bradley's Corner has been paved with stone, the road-bed has been wholly regraded, gutters along the whole line have been cleared and graded for proper drainage, and larger culverts and tiles placed therein where required to carry water from the highways.

The complained of conditions at Davis Corner, whereby surface water is now diverted on to certain neighboring property is the only feature now remaining to be corrected. Satisfactory assurances have been made that this shall be given proper attention as soon as the spring season makes work there possible, and we have reason to believe that this will be promptly done.

We may add that negotiations are now pending with the Rockingham County Light & Power Co. concerning their location in the town, and especially with reference to the poles placed by it along Sweet Hill avenue last fall. A wholly satisfactory adjust-

ment of this, it is believed, will be accomplished in the early future.

In December last we were, for the first time, notified that the highway abutting the "North Parish Cemetery" on the easterly side, had been excavated by Mr. James C. Merrill, and complaint then made to us of its condition. Examination showed that a hole some 128 feet long, 32 feet wide at the broadest point, and about 13 feet wide at the narrowest, and from four to 10 feet deep, had been dug squarely in the center of the highway. The gravel taken therefrom had been sold. Interviews with Mr. Merrill upon the matter proving unavailing, we were compelled to authorize Mr. Smith to proceed to legal action. This was done, with the result that, after seeking legal counsel, Mr. Merrill yielded his claims in the premises, paid all the costs to date, and gave a bond with two good sureties that he would, at his own expense, but under the direction, supervision, and to the satisfaction of the selectmen of this town, fill said excavation and regrade the road at that point and the abutting embankments. Said work to be done not later than the first of next May.

The bond also provides that in the meantime he shall provide a private road through his land, and circuiting said excavation, which road shall be for public travel for the time stated, without claim for recompense on his part; that any additional expense to the town in connection with said matter shall be paid by him, and also recognizes and admits that said highway is a public one, and under the legal control of the town.

The case of William H. Hills vs. Town of Plaistow has been decided and settled. The amount awarded him by the court, and the sum paid, is given in the disbursements hereinafter set forth.

INVENTORY OF THE TOWN OF PLAISTOW.

April 1st, 1903.

252 polls	\$25,200 00
148 horses	8,792 00
133 cows	3,914 00
3 other neat stock	60 00
49 carriages	1,550 00
Stock in trade	24,500 00
Mills	9,200 00
Land and buildings	287,412 00
	<hr/> \$360,628 00

APPROPRIATIONS MADE AT ANNUAL
TOWN MEETING.

March 10th, 1903.

State tax	\$539 75
County tax	1,016 13
School money required by law	762 00
School supplies	150 00
School money in addition to that re- quired by law	800 00
Fire insurance on school-houses	25 00
To maintain the poor	200 00
Public Library	100 00
Payment of Town bond	500 00
Payment of interest on bonds and notes	900 00
Town officers	400 00
Snow paths	200 00
Miscellaneous	400 00
To repair highways	901 57
Overlaid	137 80
	<hr/> \$7,032 25

Rate of taxation, \$1.95 on \$100.00.

TREASURER'S REPORT.

DR. To cash in treasury, Feb. 14, 1904 .	\$1,025	89
Received from John H. Noyes, Collector, 1901	10	18
Interest		65
Received from John H. Noyes, Collector, 1902	1,233	14
Interest	46	65
Received from John H. Noyes, Collector, 1903	5,551	10
Received from John H. Noyes, Justice	53	00
Received from Anna J. Cushing on account of W. M. Cushing, Collector	75	00
Received from G. H. Tucker, rent of Hall	77	00
Received from H. Gilbert (gasoline),	10	24
Received from A. M. Gosselin, ac- count of H. Gilbert	7	50
Account of Mrs. Prescott	14	00
Account of J. C. Merrill	42	60
Received from State railroad tax . .	146	63
Received from savings bank tax . .	23	16
Received from literary fund	107	38
Received from school fund	256	57
Received from High School tuition	18	50
Received cash	12	49

Dr. Received from J. S. Hills, dog	
licenses	\$153 80
Received from County, on account of	
poor	111 98
Received from County, on account of	
dependent soldiers	266 82
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	\$9,244 28
CR. By paying Selectmen's orders . . .	\$7,197 50
Paying interest on bonds	570 00
Paying interest on notes	164 00
Cash in treasury	1,312 78
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	\$9,244 28

JOHN W. SLEEPER, TREASURER.

COLLECTOR'S REPORT.

1900.

DR.	To uncollected taxes	.	.	.		\$1 90
CR.	By uncollected taxes	.	.	.		\$1 90

JOHN H. NOYES, COLLECTOR.

1901.

DR.	To uncollected taxes	.	.	.		\$24 24
CR.	By abatement	.	.	.	\$1 85	
	“ cash paid Treasurer	.	.		18 18	
	“ uncollected taxes	.	.	.	12 21	
					<hr/>	\$24 24
	Interest paid	.	.	.		65

JOHN H. NOYES, COLLECTOR.

1902.

DR.	To uncollected taxes	.	.	.		\$1,314 56
CR.	By abatements	.	.	.	\$31 45	
	“ uncollected taxes	.	.	.	49 97	
	“ cash paid treasurer	.	.	.	1,233 14	
					<hr/>	\$1,314 56
	Interest paid	.	.	.		46 65

JOHN H. NOYES, COLLECTOR.

1903.

DR.	To amount submitted	.	.	.		\$7,032 25
CR.	By abatement	.	.	.	\$1 95	
	“ uncollected taxes	.	.	.	1,479 20	
	“ cash paid Treasurer	.	.	.	5,551 10	
					<u> </u>	\$7,032 25

JOHN H. NOYES, COLLECTOR.

ABATEMENTS.

1901.

John Hayes, left town	\$1 85
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1902.

J. F. Brown, not in town	.	.	.	\$1 90
Ceylon Elwell, taxed in Newton	.	.	.	1 90
A. Gravel, left town	.	.	.	1 90
H. M. Goodchild, overtaxed	.	.	.	16 25
George A. Hill, taxed in Danville	.	.	.	1 90
Leon Menville, left town	.	.	.	1 90
William M. Ordway, taxed in Lynn	.	.	.	1 90
H. F. Peaslee, Jr., left town	.	.	.	1 90
M. B. Peaslee, left town	.	.	.	1 90
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				\$31 45

1903.

Leopold Noel, poor	\$1 95
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TOWN OFFICERS.

Paid A. M. Gosselin, Selectman and		
Overseer of the Poor	.	\$75 00
Harry R. Seaver, Selectman	.	15 00
Charles E. Day, Selectman	.	10 00

Paid John W. Sleeper, Treasurer . .	\$25 00	
John H. Noyes, Collector, 1901 . .	21	
John H. Noyes, Collector, 1902 . .	25 59	
John H. Noyes, Collector, 1903 . .	111 02	
Joseph S. Hills, Town Clerk . .	25 00	
Frank Parker, School Board . .	25 00	
Algernon A. Sawyer, School Board,	20 00	
Charles W. Cass, School Board . .	10 00	
Joseph S. Hills, Supervisor . .	10 00	
Daniel J. Kelleher, Supervisor . .	10 00	
Frank J. Payne,	8 00	
John W. Sleeper, Ballot Inspector .	3 00	
James M. Davis, Ballot Inspector .	3 00	
Harry I. Gosselin, Ballot Inspector,	3 00	
Joseph Hayes, Ballot Inspector . .	3 00	
Wallace Keezer, Auditor . .	3 00	
George A. Denoncour, Moderator .	4 00	
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		\$388 82

BOARD OF HEALTH.

Paid John H. Noyes, services as Health		
Officer	\$3 00	
Posting cards	1 00	
Edmund H. Noyes, for placarding		
and fumigating	2 50	
For formaldehyde	75	
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		\$7 25

POLICE.

Paid Frank C. Smith, Justice fees, and		
expense in Blaisdell case . .	\$13 02	
Forrest S. Davis, service Ham case .	3 00	
Forrest S. Davis, service Connelly		
case	6 02	
John H. Noyes, services in Ham case	3 00	

Paid John H. Noyes, Justice fees and expense in liquor case, John Connelly	\$4 50	
Daniel M. Peaslee, Police services Tewksbury case, 1902	1 00	
George H. Tucker, police services Connelly case	1 50	
George H. Tucker, Dog officer	10 00	
John Badger, police services	9 11	
John Badger, services as prosecuting officer	8 50	
Wm. H. Hills, Justice fees, Yeaton case	4 00	
Wm. H. Hills, five complaints and search warrants	3 00	
	<hr/>	\$66 65

PUBLIC TAXES.

State tax	\$539 75	
County tax	1,016 13	
	<hr/>	\$1,555 88

PUBLIC LIBRARY.

Amount appropriated	\$100 00
Paid Treasurer	\$100 00

SCHOOLS.

Amount appropriated	\$1,737 00	
State school fund	256 57	
Literary fund	107 38	
Dog license	116 62	
	<hr/>	\$2,217 57
Amount paid Treasurer	\$2,217 57	

DEPENDENT SOLDIERS AND FAMILIES.

Paid for J. K. Beye	\$258 32	
Mrs. E. G. Tucker	22 50	
	<hr/>	\$280 82

COUNTY POOR.

Paid for J. C. Averill,	\$96 14	
Samuel King	4 26	
Spicer family	6 58	
Mrs. Varrett	4 00	
	<hr/>	\$111 98

TOWN POOR.

Paid for Leopold Noel	\$336 07	
A. Pinette	39 99	
John Judson	1 83	
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TRAMPS.

Paid George H. Tucker, care of 17 tramps	\$4 25	
John Badger, care of 13 tramps . .	3 25	
	<hr/>	\$7 50

MISCELLANEOUS.

Paid J. M. Davis, insurance on Town Hall	\$60 00	
Whitten & Cass, 350 Town Reports, 1903	50 96	
John Badger, painting Town Hall .	18 85	
George H. Tucker, delivering Town Reports, 1901-1902	3 50	
J. C. Cogswell, repairing road ma- chine	4 65	
B. & M. R. R., freight on gasoline,	2 00	

Paid Walworth Manufacturing Co., 5	
bbls. gasoline	\$46 96
F. E. Tucker, 2 mats, 2 comforters,	8 00
W. H. Hills, 7 rock maple trees .	5 25
J. H. Sayward, supplies, Town Hall,	4 35
E. C. Eastman, stationery	3 57
H. M. Hills, labor, Town Hall	
grounds	17 60
Simonds & Adams, one flag . . .	10 00
Hanscom Hardware Co., supplies	
for flag	90
Goodwill Council, 3 lamps . . .	7 00
A. M. Gosselin, stamp and express,	2 00
H. R. Seaver, pass books	75
C. E. Day, public watering place .	3 00
A. B. Burnham, painting and placing	
line on flag pole at Town Hall,	3 47
Pulsifer Paper Co., one journal .	2 50
W. P. Warner, two bolts	1 50
F. C. Smith, services and disburse-	
ments in matter of Haverhill,	
Plaistow and Newton Street Ry.,	30 00
G. H. Tucker, janitor	50 00
E. E. Peaslee, lumber for library .	3 17
E. E. Peaslee, posts for cemetery	
fence	6 00
J. S. Hills, two brooms	60
C. E. Day, running town line . .	2 50
Mrs. A. Clement, public watering	
place	3 00
E. C. Eastman, stationery	2 98
Melody & Collins, labor on Town	
Hall	15 40
C. W. Cass, coal	25 34
C. N. Hoyt, overtaxed 1902 . . .	5 70
A. Caldwell, labor on cemetery fence,	4 05
For watching Mrs. Prescott's fire .	14 00

Paid F. C. Smith, services and disbursements in Merrill case	\$39 00
J. P. Sanborn, cutting bushes, Pine street	1 50
J. Bradley, overtaxed	10 00
W. K. Seaver, paint and labor	2 10
J. W. Sleeper, stamps and stationery,	1 90
G. Tucker, supplies and labor Town Hall	20 48
Damas Gosselin, nails	1 26
J. M. Kimball, public watering place,	3 00
Mrs. A. F. H. Fuller, preparing catalogue, writing up accession book and class lists for library 1902-3	10 00
J. H. Noyes, postage, envelopes and tax bills	5 92
1 cord wood	5 00
J. S. Hills, stationery	1 37
J. S. Hills, returning marriages, births and deaths, 1902	6 45
J. S. Hills, returning marriages, births and deaths, 1903	9 70
T. J. Payne, lumber, Town Hall	1 76
M. B. Dow, public watering place,	3 00
J. S. Hills, seeding down, phosphates,	5 55
H. M. Hills, labor on cemetery fence	65
C. H. Fellows & Co., paint for Hall cells	2 20
C. H. Fellows & Co., wire fencing,	7 20
W. F. Wallace, returning births and deaths	6 50
Oscar Lavoie, labor on Town Hall grounds	8 25
Edward Castle, use of team on Town Hall grounds	32 00

Paid Sanborn Seminary, tuition of W. P.	
Warner, Jr	\$5 00
Sanborn Seminary, tuition of George	
H. Lozier	5 00
Sanborn Seminary, tuition of C. I.	
Smith	10 00
Robinson Seminary, tuition of Alice	
Parker	20 00
Atkinson Academy, tuition of J. H.	
Hubbard	16 00
New Hampton Institute, tuition of	
Elsie M. Wallace	26 00
W. H. Hills, for deed	2 00
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	\$688 34

SNOW PATHS.

Paid O. B. Williams	\$7 87
Jean Geaudreault	3 00
Patrick Newcomb	2 25
George Denoncour	9 50
Thomas Bouchard	2 25
Edmund Denoncour	6 00
Chas. E. Denoncour	19 00
David Bourgeois	75
A. W. Williams	75
C. E. Day	14 31
Edward Castle	2 45
J. W. Payne	2 28
Isaac Pollard	1 35
Albert Pickard	1 20
Horace A. Peaslee	6 30
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	\$79 26

BRIDGES AND CULVERTS.

Paid Ephraim A. Kimball, labor	\$1 50
Ora B. Williams	7 85
Octave Dupont	7 65

Paid Levi Caillouette	\$3 00	
C. E. Crockett	1 50	
Hanscom Hardware Co. tile	3 24	
E. E. Peaslee, lumber	96 28	
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CASE OF W. H. HILLS VS. TOWN OF PLAISTOW.

Paid for judgment	\$428 58	
Cost	120 61	
Writ	17	
Interest	8 24	
	<hr/>	\$557 60

HIGHWAYS.

CHARLES E. DENONCOUR, ROAD AGENT.

Paid C. E. Denoncour, 2 days team, road machine	\$8 00	
C. E. Denoncour, 14 4-5 days team, .	51 80	
George Denoncour, 203 loads grade, .	10 15	
George Denoncour, 2 days team, road machine	8 00	
George Denoncour, 6 7-10 days team, .	23 45	
Edmund Denoncour, 9 7-10 days labor	14 55	
Arthur Denoncour, 2 days, team, road machine	8 00	
Azade Vigneault, 3 days labor	4 50	
Jean Geaudreault, 2 days labor	3 00	
Adolph Seymour, 3 7-10 days labor	7 05	
Ferd Desrocher, 7 7-10 days labor,	11 55	
	<hr/>	\$150 05

ORA B. WILLIAMS, ROAD AGENT.

Paid O. B. Williams 6 7-10 days, team	\$23 45	
O. B. Williams, use of plow	75	
David Bourgeois, 1-2 days labor	75	

Paid Edward Tuttle, 27-10 days labor .	\$4 00
Isaac Pollard, 1 day, man and team,	2 50
G. H. Tucker, 1 day	1 50
E. A. Kimball, 7 days, 7 1-2 hours,	
labor	11 63

 \$44 58

ISAAC H. POLLARD, ROAD AGENT.

Paid I. H. Pollard 2 1-2 days labor, 2	
men and horse	\$10 00
I. N. Pollard 12 1-2 days labor, 1	
man and horse	31 25
I. H. Pollard, 1 days labor	1 50
I. H. Pollard, 1-2 day, horse	50
F. N. Gauvin, 1 team, road machine.	4 00
Thomas Chobut, 1 team, road ma-	
chine	4 00
E. A. Kimball, 3 days labor	4 50
Edward Castle, 1 days team	3 50
Edward Castle, 1 1-2 days labor . . .	2 25
J. J. Castle, 4 1-2 days labor	4 50
Byron Reynolds, 1 days team	2 50
Byron Reynolds, 11 hours labor . . .	1 65
O. B. Williams, 2 1-2 days team,	
road machine	10 00
O. B. Williams, 1 days team	3 50
Ernest Broulette, 3 days labor . . .	3 00
Geo. Kelly, 1-2 days labor	75
Isaiah Kelly, 3 3-4 days labor	5 63
Frank Kelly, 4 hours labor	60
E. Hadley, 12 hours labor	1 80
Marserio Emilesons, 1 days labor . .	1 50
Russi Bolesto, 2 days labor	3 00
J. M. Kimball, 4 3-4 days labor . . .	6 87
J. M. Kimball, use of plow	25
J. M. Kimball, use of scraper	25

 \$107 30

FRANK N. GAUVIN, ROAD AGENT.

Paid H. Gilbert, 3 days, team on scraper,	\$12 00
H. Gilbert, 3 days, use of scraper .	2 25
H. Gilbert, 3 days, use of plow .	1 50
Frank N. Gauvin, 3 days team .	10 50
Damas Chobut, 1 3-4 days team,	
road machine	7 00
O. B. Williams, 1 1-4 days team,	
road machine	5 00
Octave Dupont, 4 1-2 days, labor, .	6 75
Ozade Vigneault, 2 1-2 days labor,	3 75
Levi Caillouette, 1 days labor .	1 50
“ “ 1 1-2 days horse	
and cart	1 50

 \$51 75

J. A. BARTLETT, ROAD AGENT.

Paid C. E. Day, 2 days team . .	\$7 00
C. E. Day, 1 days team, road machine,	4 00
C. E. Day, 1 days labor . .	1 50
C. E. Day, use of plow . . .	50
C. E. Day, 4 hours labor . .	60
Albert Pickard, 2 days team, road	
machine	8 00
Ed. Robinson, 1 days horse . .	1 00
Ed. Robinson, 4 hours labor . .	60
T. E. Sweeney, 3 1-5 days labor .	4 72
Geo. W. Cheney, 2 1-5 days team,	
road machine	9 00
Geo. W. Cheney, 1 days team .	3 50
Geo. W. Cheney, 6 1-2 days labor,	9 75
Geo. W. Cheney, 6 1-2 hours horse,	65
C. L. Johnson, 12 hours labor .	1 81
I. G. Harriman, 3 7-10 days labor .	5 48
A. B. Crane, 7 hours labor . .	1 05
D. R. Harriman, 4 1-5 days labor .	6 30

Paid W. R. Harriman, 9 days labor . . .	\$13 50	
W. J. Merrifield, 2 1-2 days use of horses	5 00	
W. J. Merrifield, 1 1-2 days team, . . .	5 25	
W. J. Merrifield, 1 1-2 days use of horses on road machine . . .	4 50	
W. J. Merrifield, use of plow . . .	1 00	
W. J. Merrifield, repairing plow . . .	2 50	
W. J. Merrifield, 10 days labor . . .	15 00	
W. J. Merrifield, 2 9-10 days team, . . .	7 25	
W. J. Merrifield, 2 hours horse on road machine	25	
	<hr/>	\$119 71

GAYTON C. GREELEY, ROAD AGENT.

Paid James Perley, 5 days' labor . . .	\$7 50	
J. E. Peaslee, 4 3-10 days labor . . .	6 45	
A. S. Gale, 1 day, 7 1-2 hours labor, . . .	2 62	
J. P. Sanborn, 6 days, 7 hours labor, . . .	10 05	
H. Gilbert, 2 days team	7 00	
H. Gilbert, 4 9-10 days labor . . .	7 35	
J. W. Payne, 6 hours team	2 10	
J. W. Payne, 3 hours labor	45	
J. W. Payne, 1 1-2 days team, road machine	6 00	
J. W. Payne, 1 day team, 2 men . . .	5 00	
J. W. Payne, 1 day team	3 50	
S. N. Cummings 11 3-5 days team . . .	29 00	
S. N. Cummings, 3 hours labor . . .	75	
S. N. Cummings, 112 loads grade . . .	5 60	
G. C. Greeley, 4 hours team	1 00	
G. C. Greeley, 13 days, 6 hours labor	20 40	
	<hr/>	\$114 77

EPHRAIM A. KIMBALL, ROAD AGENT.

Paid Thomas Walton, 2 1-2 days team . . .	\$6 25	
O. B. Williams, 4 days team . . .	17 50	
“ “ use of plow . . .	10	
David Bourgeois, 3 days labor . . .	4 50	
E. A. Kimball, 13 days, 1 hour labor	19 65	
A. L. Rice, 1-2 days labor . . .	75	
	<hr/>	\$48 75

JANITOR'S REPORT.

Received for rent of Town Hall . . .	\$77 00
Paid treasurer	\$77 00

RECAPITULATION.

State tax	\$539 75	
County tax	1,016 13	
Schools	2,217 57	
Public Library	100 00	
Town officers	388 82	
Police	66 65	
Board of Health	7 25	
Dependent soldiers and families . . .	280 82	
County poor	111 98	
Town poor	377 89	
Tramps	7 50	
Snow paths	79 26	
Highways	636 92	
Bridges and culverts	121 02	
William H. Hills, vs. Town . . .	557 60	
Miscellaneous	688 34	
	<hr/>	\$7,197 50

FINANCIAL STATEMENT.

LIABILITIES.

Due on town bonds	\$16,000 00
Due on town notes	4,475 00
Dog license	153 80
	\$20,628 80

ASSETS.

Due from S. G. Watkins, 1895	\$4 54
“ “ J. H. Noyes, 1900	1 90
“ “ “ 1901	12 21
“ “ “ 1902	49 97
“ “ “ 1903	1,479 20
“ “ Bondsman of W. M. Cushing, Collector, 1900	105 00
“ “ Ellen Newcomb, taxes bought by the town	5 70
“ “ Leverett Webster, taxes bought by the town	1 85
“ “ John Whittaker heirs, taxes bought by the town	1 85
“ “ County, on account of depen- dent soldiers	14 00
“ “ County, on account of poor	1 00
Cash in Treasury, Feb. 15, 1904	1,312 78
	2,990 90
Balance against the town	\$17,637 90

Respectfully submitted,

ALLEN M. GOSSELIN,
HARRY R. SEAVER,
CHARLES E. DAY,

SELECTMEN OF PLAISTOW.

PLAISTOW, N. H., February 23, 1904.

We have this day examined the accounts of the Selectmen and Treasurer of the Town of Plaistow for the year ending February 15, 1904, and find them correctly cast, and proper vouchers on file for all expenditures.

FRANK PARKER,
EDSON E. PEASLEE,
Auditors.

DOG LICENSES, 1903.

58 male dogs, 1 year, at \$2	\$116 00
9 female dogs, 1 year, at \$5	45 00
2 female dogs, 6 months, at \$2.50	5 00
2 male dogs, 6 months, at \$1	2 00
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	\$168 00
71 licenses, at 20 cents each, Clerk's fee,	14 20
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	\$153 80

JOSEPH S. HILLS,
CLERK OF PLAISTOW.

BIRTHS REGISTERED IN THE TOWN OF PLAISTOW, N. H., FOR THE YEAR ENDING DECEMBER 31, 1903.

Date.	Name of Child.	Male or Female.	Living or Stillborn.	No. of Child 1st, 2d, etc.	Name of Father.	Maiden Name of Mother.
January 3	Albert B. Hudson	Male	Living	First . . .	Arthur L. J. Hudson . .	Alice E. Bradford . . .
" 11	George Albert Tuttle	"	"	First . . .	George W. Tuttle . . .	Ruth A. Severance . . .
" 20	Mary Alice Lavoire	Female	"	Fifth . . .	Joseph N. Lavoire . . .	Amelia Tremblay . . .
February 1	Margret Monahan	"	"	Third . . .	Michael Monahan . . .	Elizabeth C. Kelleher . .
March 19	Grace A. Bell	"	"	Fifth . . .	George C. Bell	Lydia H. Beals
April 6	Eddie Abbott Brown	"	"	Second . .	Kirkor Gulezian	
" 22		Male	"	Fifth . . .	William H. Brown . . .	Lavina M. Woodard . . .
" 30	Althea Hersey	"	"	Seventh . .	Algernon A. Sawyer . .	Carrie I. Devereaux . . .
May 15	Marianne Geaudreault	Female	"	First . . .	I. Arthur Hersey	Maggie J. Abbott
" 26		"	"	Third . . .	Eli Geaudreault	Loge Tremblay
" 28	Walker G. Willetts	Male	"	Second . .	Gustave La Fontaine . .	Mary P. Dupont
June 28	Lea Blanche Chabot	Female	"	Fourth . .	Joseph Willetts	Mary Laplante
July 13		"	"	Second . .	Thomas Chabot	Eva Groleau
August 20		"	"	Second . .	Walter Anderson	Mabel Palmer
" 21		"	"	Second . .	George A. Quiney	Edith F. Honor
October 12	Alexander Dumas	Female	"	Seventh . .	Augustus Sulaire	Mary L. Lane
" 15	Ida May Merrick	Female	"	First . . .	George W. Keezer	Mary York
" 26	Ernest W. Smart	Male	"	First . . .	Charles A. Dumas	Dora E. Belanger
November 24		"	"	Eighth . .	Joseph R. Merrick	Alice M. Hill
December 15	J. Willie Tremblay	Female	"	Ninth . . .	Ernest E. Smart	Bertha D. LeBlanc
" 15	Joseph George Geaudreault	Male	"	First . . .	Albert Desmarais	Lizzie Auclair
		"	"	Ninth . . .	Paul Tremblay	Marienne Tremblay . . .
		"	"		Jean Geaudreault	Annie M. Geaudreault . .

I hereby certify that the above return is correct, according to the best of my knowledge and belief.

JOSEPH S. HILLS, TOWN CLERK.

MARRIAGES REGISTERED IN THE TOWN OF PLAISTOW, N. H., FOR THE YEAR ENDING DECEMBER 31, 1903.

Date.	Name of Groom and Bride.	Residence.	Age.	Official Station of Person by Whom Married.
January 7	Charles Ancoin	Plaistow, N. H.	30	F. G. Deshaies, Priest, Plaistow, N. H.
January 18	Marie Michaud	Plaistow, N. H.	17	F. G. Deshaies, Priest, Plaistow, N. H.
January 18	Adelard Villancourt	Amesbury, Mass.	25	F. G. Deshaies, Priest, Plaistow, N. H.
February 23 . . .	Josephine Roy	Plaistow, N. H.	22	F. G. Deshaies, Priest, Plaistow, N. H.
February 23 . . .	Arthur Trenblay	Plaistow, N. H.	33	Frank Parker, Clergyman, Plaistow, N. H.
March 21	Hermine Gouin	Plaistow, N. H.	18	James M. Davis, Justice of the Peace, Plaistow, N. H.
March 21	Arthur J. Tuttle	Haverhill, Mass.	23	F. G. Deshaies, Priest, Plaistow, N. H.
March 21	Bessie May Batchelder	Haverhill, Mass.	28	Frank Parker, Clergyman, Plaistow, N. H.
April 20	Joseph Saucier, Jr.	Haverhill, Mass.	21	James M. Davis, Justice of the Peace, Plaistow, N. H.
April 26	George J. Lefebvre	Haverhill, Mass.	19	F. G. Deshaies, Priest, Plaistow, N. H.
April 28	Lillie Fecteau	Plaistow, N. H.	32	Frank Parker, Clergyman, Plaistow, N. H.
April 28	Charles H. Hinds	Haverhill, Mass.	22	James M. Davis, Justice of the Peace, Plaistow, N. H.
May 27	Abbie May Baker	Haverhill, Mass.	18	Frank Parker, Clergyman, Plaistow, N. H.
May 27	Joseph Desmarais	Haverhill, Mass.	20	James M. Davis, Justice of the Peace, Plaistow, N. H.
May 27	Julia F. Leary	Haverhill, Mass.	35	J. Sidney Moulton, Clergyman, Stow, Mass.
September 2 . . .	Carl R. Lloyd	Haverhill, Mass.	29	Frank Parker, Clergyman, Plaistow, N. H.
September 2 . . .	Lena Marie Doty	Plaistow, N. H.	20	Frank Parker, Clergyman, Plaistow, N. H.
October 3	Bert E. Smith	Plaistow, N. H.	24	Frank Parker, Clergyman, Plaistow, N. H.
October 3	Maggie McLean	Haverhill, Mass.	30	Frank Parker, Clergyman, Plaistow, N. H.
October 5	Walter S. Dunn	Haverhill, Mass.	31	Frank Parker, Clergyman, Plaistow, N. H.
October 5	Rertha E. Felch	Salisbury, Mass.	25	Frank Parker, Clergyman, Plaistow, N. H.
October 17	Ralph B. Clement	Plaistow, N. H.	18	Frank Parker, Clergyman, Plaistow, N. H.
October 17	Mary Lucier	Plaistow, N. H.	27	James M. Davis, Justice of the Peace, Plaistow, N. H.
October 17	Harry C. McConihe	Plaistow, N. H.	18	F. G. Deshaies, Priest, Plaistow, N. H.
October 17	Mattie Ordway	Plaistow, N. H.	27	Frank Parker, Clergyman, Plaistow, N. H.
October 18	Arthur Gilbert	Plaistow, N. H.	18	James M. Davis, Justice of the Peace, Plaistow, N. H.
October 18	Josephine Brady	Plaistow, N. H.	26	F. G. Deshaies, Priest, Plaistow, N. H.
November 8 . . .	George F. Ramsey	Merrimac, Mass.	17	Frank Parker, Clergyman, Plaistow, N. H.
November 8 . . .	Carrie May Tobyne	Haverhill, Mass.	19	Frank Parker, Clergyman, Plaistow, N. H.
November 14 . . .	Albert M. Rich	Haverhill, Mass.	19	E. H. Noyes, Justice of the Peace, Plaistow, N. H.
November 14 . . .	Lottie Russell	Haverhill, Mass.	23	E. H. Noyes, Justice of the Peace, Plaistow, N. H.
December 19 . . .	Frank W. Smithen	Haverhill, Mass.	20	E. H. Noyes, Justice of the Peace, Plaistow, N. H.
December 19 . . .	Mary Doyle	Haverhill, Mass.	27	Frank Parker, Clergyman, Plaistow, N. H.
December 19 . . .	William E. Judson	Haverhill, Mass.	27	Frank Parker, Clergyman, Plaistow, N. H.
December 30 . . .	Mary O. Seavey	Plaistow, N. H.	30	Frank Parker, Clergyman, Plaistow, N. H.
December 30 . . .		Hampstead, N. H.	30	

I hereby certify that the above return is correct, according to the best of my knowledge and belief.

JOSEPH S. HILLS, TOWN CLERK.

DEATHS REGISTERED IN THE TOWN OF PLAISTOW, N. H., FOR THE YEAR ENDING DECEMBER 31, 1903.

Date.	Name of Deceased.	AGE.			Place of Birth.	Male or Female.	Single, Married or Widowed.
		Yrs.	Mos.	Days.			
January 25	James Orrin Ray	0	2	10	Plaistow, N. H.		Single
" 26	Peter Weidman	54	5	8	Sweden	Male	Married
" 27	Margret Monahan	0	0	1	Plaistow, N. H.	Female	Single
" 31	George Laverton Baker	36	4	29	Plaistow, N. H.	Male	Married
February 20	John Judson	24	6	2	Plaistow, N. H.	Female	Single
" 28	Helen M. George	56	11	13	Plaistow, N. H.	Female	Married
March 16	Nelson Collins	74	11	12	North Danville, N. H.	Male	"
" 24	Eliza A. Tucker	80	6	22	Sandwich, N. H.	Female	Widowed
" 24	Horace W. Wentworth	62	10	8	Denmark, Me.	Male	Married
April 21	Samuel Smith	53	7	9	Atkinson, N. H.	Female	"
June 5	Eva M. Payne	56	6	26	Barre, Vt.	"	"
August 12	Lois A. Carleton	60	9	18	Plaistow, N. H.	"	Single
" 29	Sarah J. N. Woodward	68	1	21	Amesbury, Mass.	Female	Widowed
September 18	Infant Boggiatto	0	2	0	Haverhill, Mass.	Male	Single
November 24	Bergue Gulezian	0	0	18	Plaistow, N. H.	Female	"
December 17	Infants Demarais (twins)	0	0	25	Plaistow, N. H.	M and F	Married
" 25	Moses Kimball	59	8	12	Wells, Me.	Male	"
May 1	Leopold Noel	36	9	15	Canada	"	"
	Clarence E. Noel	0	9		Plaistow, N. H.	"	Single

I hereby certify that the above return is correct, according to the best of my knowledge and belief.

JOSEPH S. HILLS, TOWN CLERK.

REPORT

OF

PLAISTOW PUBLIC LIBRARY.

The Trustees of the Public Library respectfully present their report for the year ending February 15, 1904.

The Librarian's report is as follows:

Fifty-three new cards have been issued, making a total of four hundred and ninety-two. The number of books issued during the year has been 2,196, classified as follows:

Fine Arts, 8; Biography, 58; Poetry, 3; Fiction, 1,938; History, 67; Literature, 20; Miscellaneous, 1; Natural Science, 10; Religion, 3; Sociology, 17; Reference, 1,

Two hundred and eighteen new volumes have been added, making a total of 1,383.

A number of books have been given by thoughtful friends; the donors have been Mrs. Franklin Burnham, Fred Gardner, Dana J. Flanders, Warren Flanders, Albert Pillsbury, Harper Bros., Mrs. E. A. Merriman, and The Library Bureau.

The Farmers Club gave to the Library one hundred and eight dollars and forty-five cents, and appointed Mr. John Bradley, Mr. John H. Noyes, and Mrs. Eldridge Lloyd to confer with the Trustees in the matter of selecting the books to be purchased with the money.

The Library has too deeply felt needs. One is for catalogues which are much needed.

To quote from the Library report of an adjoining town, "For the convenience of its patrons a public library needs an up-to-date catalogue every five years."

Our Library has been established six years. We have had the list of new books added each year, as given in the town report, and as a matter of convenience for those taking books very much desire some complete catalogue.

The other need is of funds to enable us to open the Library at least two days in the week, instead of one, as is being done at present. We hope in the near future to be able to supply both these wants.

To the Farmers Club and the individuals who have kindly remembered the Library during the year the Trustees, in behalf of the Town, extend grateful acknowledgment.

JENNIE B. DAVIS,
SUSAN F. CASS,
CORA B. POLLARD.

TREASURER'S REPORT.

DR.	To cash in treasury Feb. 1, 1903	\$0 32	
	Received from treasurer of Farmers Club	108 45	
	Received from town	100 00	
	Received fines from Librarian	5 20	
			\$213 97
CR.	Paid Mitchell & Co. for books	\$98 48	
	Paid Jordan, Marsh & Co. and others for books	9 47	
	Paid DeWolfe, Fiske & Co. for books	70 08	
	Paid express and expense in buying books	4 70	
	Paid insurance on books	4 00	
	Paid gummed labels	21	
	S. F. Cass, Librarian	26 00	
	Cash to balance	1 03	
			\$213 97

SUSAN F. CASS, TREASURER.

CATALOGUE

OF

PLAISTOW PUBLIC LIBRARY.

Abbott, Lyman. Life of Henry Ward Beecher	B 88
Abbott, C. C. Recent Rambles	N 43
Clear Skies and Cloudy	N 44
Alden, Mrs. G. R. (Pansy). Mara	8 A 7
Allen, Grant. The Backslider	16 A
Allen, James Lane. The Mettle of the Pasture	9 A 1
Bachelor, Irving. Darrel	16 B 2
Barr, Amelia E. The Black Shilling	1 B 8
Barrows, John H. The World Pilgrimage	T 95
Bell, J. J. Wee McGregor	27 B
Bell, Lillian. Hope Loring	26 B
A Book of Girls	26 B 1
Brady, C. T. The Grip of Honor	24 B 1
The Southerners	24 B 2
Bellamy, Edward. The Duke of Stockbridge.	12 B 1
Brine, Mary D. How A Dear Little Couple Went	
Abroad	28 B
Doings of A Dear Little Couple	28 B 1
Brooks, Phillips. Letters of Travel	T 106
Brooks, Allison. When She Came to Herself	29 B
Brooks, Elbridge S. Wild Animals in Action	N 45
Brown, Alice. Kings End	13 B 1
Judgment	13 B 2

Burnett, Frances H.	The Making of a Marchioness,	6 B 7
	The Methods of Lady Wal-	
	derhurst	6 B 8
Burnham, Clara Louise.	Miss Pritchard's Wedding	
	Trip	18 B 3
Cheever, H. A.	Gipsy Jane	29 C
Conway, Sir Martin.	Bolivian Andes	T 96
Corelli, Marie.	Thelma	18 C 2
	Temporal Power	18 C 3
Creelman, James.	On the Great Highway	30 C
Churchill, Winston.	McKeegan's Elopement	20 C 2
Dana, Mrs.	William Starr	N 46
Daskam, J. D.	The Madness of Philip	24 D
Davis, R. H.	Captain Macklin	2 D 2
	The Bar Sinister	2 D 3
Deland, Margaret.	Old Chester Tales	4 D 2
	Dr. Lavender's People	4 D 3
Dickens, Charles.	Christmas Stories	5 D 4
	Old Curiosity Shop	5 D 5
	Bleak House	5 D 6
Dodge, Mary Mapes.	Hans Brinker	25 D
	The Land of Pluck	25 D 1
Doyle, A. C.	The Hound of the Baskervilles	6 D 5
Douglas, Amanda M.	Floyd Grandon's Honor	15 D 11
Du Chaillu, P.	In African Forest and Jungle	T 97
	The World of the Great Forest	T 98
Eastman, Charles A.	Indian Boyhood	B 89
Eggleston, G. C.	Dorothy South	9 E 1
	The First of the Hoosiers	9 E 2
	The Master of Warlock	9 E 3
Ford, Paul L.	A Checked Love Affair	5 F 3
	Wanted, A Matchmaker	5 F 4
	Wanted, A Chaperon	5 F 5
Fox, John, Jr.	The Little Shepherd of Kingdom	
	Come	8 F 1
Fox, M. L.	Mother Nature's Little Ones	12 F
Frothingham, E. B.	The Turn of The Road	13 F

Fuller, Annie. A Venetian June	4 F 2
Fuller, W. O. What Happened to Wigglesworth	14 F
Garland, Hamlin. Hesper	7 G 1
Glasgow, Ellen. The Voice of The People	11 G
Going, Maud. With The Trees	N 47
Grimms. Fairy Tales	10 G
Hale, E. E. Poems	D 21
We, The People	L 43
Halford, A. J. Congressional Directory	Ref. 22
Harrison, Mrs. Burton. Sweet Bells Out of Tune	21 H
Hawkins, Anthony Hope. The King's Mirror	11 H 6
Henty, G. A. When London Burned	5 H 21
One of The Twenty-Eighth	5 H 22
The Knight of The White Cross	5 H 23
Holmes, Mary J. The Merrivale Banks	22 H
Jackson, Helen Hunt. California and the Missions	1 J 3
Nelly's Silver Mine	1 J 4
Jackson, Frederick G. A Thousand Days in the Arctic	T 99
Jewett, Sarah O. A Country Doctor	3 J 3
Johnson, W. H. Pioneer Spaniards in North America	T 107
Johnson, A. F. Two Little Knights of Kentucky	10 J
Johnson, Mrs. Clark. Earning Her Way	11 J
Kellar, Helen. Story of Her Life	B 84
King, Gen. Charles. The Daughter of the Souix	2 K 9
Knox, Thomas W. The Boy Travellers in South Africa	T 100
Knox, Thomas W. The Adventures of Two Youths in Ceylon and India	T 101
Laut, A. C. Lords of the North	7 L
Lee, S. E. Pleasant Street Smiling Valley	8 L
Liljencrancz, Otilie. The Ward of Krig Canute	10 L
Library Catalogue	Ref. 23
Long, William J. School of the Woods.	N 41
Ways of Wood Folk	N 48
Wilderness Ways	N 49

Long, William J.	Secrets of the Wood . . .	N 50
	Wood Folk at School . . .	N 51
	A Little Brother to the Bear . .	N 52
Lorrimer, George H.	Letters from a Self-Made Merchant to his Son . . .	9 L
	Master of Millions . . .	9 L 1
Lothrop, M. S.	Five Little Peppers at School . .	2 L 10
	Sally Mrs. Tubbs . . .	2 L 11
Macauley, Thomas B.	History of England, 5 vols. H	107-111
MacGowan, Alice.	The Last Word . . .	23 M
MacGrath, H.	The Grey Cloak . . .	24 M
MacCall, Sidney.	Truth Dexter . . .	19 M
Mathews, Franklin.	The New Born Cuba . . .	H 112
Merriman, Charles E.	Letters from a Son to His Self-made Father . . .	26 M
Merriman, Henry Seton.	Bailasch of the Guard . . .	7 M 5
Montague, G. H.	The Rise and Progress of the Standard Oil Co. . . .	H 105
Morgan, Henry.	Boston Inside Out . . .	H 106
Mulock, Miss.	The Little Lame Prince . . .	25 M
McCutcheon, G. B.	Castle Craneycrow . . .	21 M
	Granstark . . .	21 M 1
Mitchell, D. G.	Dream Life . . .	22 M
Munn, C. C.	The Hermit . . .	13 M 1
Munsey, Frank A.	Deeringforth . . .	27 M
	Deeringforth . . .	27 M 1
Nicholas, Francis C.	Around the Carribean and Across Panama . . .	T 107
Otis, James.	Chasing a Yacht . . .	165
	The Boys of Fort Schuyler . . .	166
Pavey, Annie.	Our Little Tots Speaker . . .	D 22
Palmer, Frederick.	The Vagabond . . .	12 P
Peck, Bradford.	The World a Department Store . .	13 P
Peet, Louis Harmon.	Who's the Author . . .	Ref. 33
Pillsbury, Albert.	Daniel Webster . . .	B 85
Powell, Frances.	The House on the Hudson . . .	15 P

Pyle, Howard.	The Story of King Arthur and His Knights	14 P
Ray, Annie C.	Ursula's Freshman	1 R 2
Reed, Helen L.	Brenda, Her School and Clubs	12 R
	Brenda's Bargain, a Story for Girls	12 R 1
	Brenda's Summer at Rockley	12 R 2
	Brenda's Cousin at Radcliff	12 R 3
Reid, Christian.	The Land of the Sun	17 R
Rhodes, Nina.	The Little Girl Next Door	13 R
	Winnifred's Neighbors	13 R 1
Rice, Alice Hegan.	Mrs. Wiggs of the Cabbage Patch	15 R
	Lovely Mary	15 R 1
Richards, Laura E.	Mrs. Tree	2 R 6
	Five Minute Stories	2 R 7
	Goeffrey Strong	2 R 8
Richardson, Charles F.	Daniel Webster, for the Young	L 42
Riding, William.	The Boyhood of Famous Authors,	B 86
Riis, Jacob A.	Children of the Tenements	S 16
Robinson, Edith.	A Little Puritan Girl	11 R 1
Roe, E. P.	A Knight of the 19th Century	4 R 6
Roe, E. P.	The Earth Trembled	4 R 7
Rohlf, Anna K. (Green).	The Filagree Ball	5 R 4
Runkle, Bertha.	The Helmet of Navarre	16 R
Russel, W. Clark.	Captain Fanny	8 R 3
Sangster, Margaret.	Elinor Lee	23 S
	Janet Ward	23 S 1
Saunders, Marshall.	The Story of the Graverlys	24 S
	Beautiful Joe	24 S 1
	Beautiful Joe's Paradise	24 S 2
Savoy, Isabel.	A Sportswoman in India	T 102
Seers, Hamblin.	Fur and Feather Tales	N 53
Seton, Ernest Thompson.	Two Little Savages	N 42
Shakespeare, William.	20 Vol.	26 S to 26 S 19
Shute, Henry A.	A Real Diary of a Real Boy	B 87

Slossen, Annie T.	Aunt Abbie's Neighbors	25 S
Smith, F. Hopkinson.	Col. Carter of Cartersville	13 S 3
	Col. Carter's Christmas	13 S 4
	The Under Dog	13 S 5
Southworth, Mrs. E. D. E. N.	Ishmael	26 S
Springer, Rebecca Ruter.	Qutra Muros	R 6
Spofford, Harriet P.	That Betty	25 S
Stevenson, Robert Louis.	An Inland Voyage	T 103
	Travels With a Donkey	T 104
Stockton, Frank.	The Captain's Toll Gate	5 S 9
Sullivan, May Kellogg.	The Woman Who Went	
	to Alaska	T 94
Stowe, Harriet B.	The Pearl of Orr's Island	6 S 6
Tarkington, Booth.	Monsieur Beaucaire. . . .	10 T 1
	Cherry	10 T 2
Tilton, Dwight.	On Satan's Mount	13 T
	Miss Petticoats	13 T 1
Thurston, Katherine.	The Circle	14 T
Van Dyke, Henry.	Fisherman's Luck	4 V 1
	Little Rivers	4 V 2
Van Vorst, Mrs. John and Marie.	The Woman Who	
	Toils	S 15
Ward, Mrs. Humphrey.	Lady Rose Daughter	3 W 6
Watarmer, Onoto.	The Heart of Hyacinth	34 W
Weedon, L. L.	Bible Stories	R 7
Whitson, John H.	Barbara, A Woman of the West,	24 W
	With Fremont, The Pathfinder	T 105
Whiting, Lillian.	The Life Radiant	R 8
Wiggin, Kate D.	Rebecca or Sunnybrook Farm	8 W 4
	The Village Watchtower	8 W 5
Wilkins, Mary E.	The Wind in the Rosebush	9 W 3
Wiley, George F.	Soltaire	27 W
Williams, Churchill.	The Captain	28 W
Williams, Jessie Lynch.	The Adventures of a	
	Freshman	29 W
Williamson, C. N. & A. M.	The Lightning Con-	
	ductor	33 W

Wilson, Rufus Rockwell.	Washington, the Capital		
	City. 2 vols.	. . .	H 113-114
Wilson, H. L.	The Spenders	. . . .	25 W
Wilson, W. R.	The Rose of Normandy	. . . .	26 W
Winslow, Helen M.	Concerning Polly	. . . .	31 W
	Literary Boston of To-day	. . . .	B 90
Wistar, Owen.	The Virginian	. . . .	30 W
Woodruff, Jane Scott.	The Little Christmas Shoe		32 W

ANNUAL REPORT
OF THE
BOARD OF EDUCATION
OF THE
TOWN OF PLAISTOW.

In making up our report for the year there seems to be very little requiring special mention.

The six schools in the town have all been in session the usual thirty-six weeks.

We have been especially fortunate in securing good teachers, the three engaged during the year having received their training at the Normal Schools at Salem and Lowell, Mass.

It is due to our favorable location only that we are able to retain successful teachers for more than one or two terms. We believe that our entire force could go elsewhere and receive larger salaries than we are able to pay, but being residents of this immediate vicinity they are willing to remain with us, traveling to and from their work by electric cars.

At the close of the school year last June a new feature was instituted in the Pollard Grammar School, those having completed the course of study were regularly graduated receiving diplomas from the School Board.

The exercises were held in the school-room and were attended by a large number of the parents and friends of the pupils. We are pleased to encourage a movement of this kind, believing it to

be an incentive to faithfulness and diligence on the part of the pupils. In our opinion the same should be continued annually, and the public exercises should hereafter be held in the Town Hall, that there may be less crowding and that more of our citizens may have the privilege of attending.

There has been much irregularity in the attendance of some of the pupils during the year. Children have been allowed to remain out of school for several weeks in succession without an apparent reason for their so doing.

We desire to call attention to Chapter 93, Section 14, of the School Laws of New Hampshire. Every person having the custody and control of a child between the ages of eight and fourteen years, or of a child under the age of sixteen years, who cannot read at sight and write legibly simple sentences in the English language, residing in a school district in which a public school is annually taught, shall cause such child to attend the public school all the time such school is in session, unless the child shall be excused by the school board of the district because his physical or mental condition is such as to prevent his attendance at school for the period required, or because he was instructed in the English language in a private school approved by the school board for a number of weeks equal to that in which the public school was in session, in the common English branches, or, having acquired these branches, in other more advanced studies. Any person who does not comply with the requirements of this section shall be fined ten dollars for the first offence and twenty dollars for every subsequent offence, for the use of the district.

Parents who are careless in this regard not only violate the law and subject themselves to fine, but also deprive their children of those privileges which, more than any other, contribute to their success in life.

At the last school meeting it was voted to insure the school buildings, and the amount of twenty-five dollars was raised and appropriated for that purpose.

Following out those instructions, the buildings and contents were insured for one year, as follows, the rate being 1 per cent. :

Pollard School	\$800 00
North Main Street School	360 00
Westville School	350 00
Clark District School	350 00
South District School	300 00
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Total	\$2,160 00

It will be seen by the Financial Statement that the amount paid for insurance was \$21.60, leaving an unexpended balance of \$3.40. This is due to the fact that when the policies were ordered it was understood that the rate would be 1-1-4 per cent., and we arranged the amounts on that basis. When the policies were received it was found that a 1 per cent. rate had been given.

When the insurance was placed last summer, the company offered three-years policies at only twice the one year rate, and, therefore, if the insurance is continued, we would recommend the three-year policies, and that fifty dollars be raised and appropriated therefor.

No extensive repairs have been made on the school buildings for several years. Something should be done at the South District this year. Part of the foundation needs relaying, the old windows should be replaced with new ones, and the clapboards should be repaired and painted.

At Westville a new out-building should be erected and the old broken down fence replaced. The estimated cost of needed repairs is \$150, and we would respectfully ask that that amount be raised and appropriated, to be expended under the direction of the School Board. For maintaining the schools we would respectfully ask for the same appropriations as last year, eight hundred dollars, in addition to the amount required by law for regular school expenses, and one hundred and fifty dollars for books and supplies.

CLOSING EXERCISES
OF
POLLARD GRAMMAR SCHOOL.

JUNE 26, 1903.

School Song.

Let us give three cheers for Plaistow,
And the Pollard Grammar School.
May our hearts be ever faithful,
Loyal and true;
And to old New Hampshire,
We give our homage, too.
Three cheers for Plaistow
And the Pollard Grammar School.

Order of Exercises.

SINGING—The Flag of the Free.

COMPOSITION—American Inventors.

ALICE WARNER.

RECITATION—The Captured Bumble Bee.

SINGING—Sunny June.

COMPOSITION—American Statesmen.

NORMA KIMBALL.

EXERCISE—A Scene from Mother Goose.

RECITATION—When Mamma Was a Little Girl.

SINGING—The Meaning of U. S. A.

COMPOSITION—American Poets.

HATTIE PARKER.

RECITATION—The Little Bird That Tells.

SINGING—(a) Song of the Cuckoo.

(b) The Rose Unfading.

COMPOSITION—Great Artists.

BELLE HILL.

EXERCISE—Four Little Grandmas.

RECITATION—A Boy's Idea of Girls.

SINGING—Blossom Bells.

COMPOSITION—Great Composers.

MARIE GILBERT.

EXERCISE—Ten Little Sunflowers.

EXERCISE—A Dream of the Flowers.

PARTING SONG—Class of 1903.

SCHOOL SONG.

Parting Song.

Only a parting word,
Then we must go,
When shall we meet again?
Ah, who can know.

Kindly remember us,
When we depart,
Hide us to bloom again,
Deep in your heart.

There may the dew of love
Tenderly fall,
God bless our happy school,
God bless you all.

Fain would we linger yet,
Happy with you,
Yet must we haste away,
Teacher, adieu.

Class of 1903.

ALICE MABELLE WARNER,
MARIE ORIELDA GILBERT,
NORMA MAY KIMBALL,
HATTIE MAY PARKER,
NETTIE BELLE HILL.

ROLL OF PERFECT ATTENDANCE.**POLLARD PRIMARY SCHOOL.**

FALL TERM.—Allen D. Tozier.

WINTER TERM.—Allen D. Tozier.

POLLARD GRAMMAR SCHOOL.

SPRING TERM.—Howard Davis, Alma White.

FALL TERM.—Howard Davis.

WINTER TERM.—Peter Gulezian.

WESTVILLE SCHOOL.

SPRING TERM.—Willie Coulombe, Eddie Noel, Levi Noel,
Willie Noel, Henry Tobyne.

FALL TERM.—Bertha E. Vigneault.

CLARK DISTRICT SCHOOL.

SPRING TERM.—Carroll R. Bradeen, Emma Denoncourt,
Amelia Goodreau, Edna Wentworth, Martha Wentworth.

FALL TERM.—Carroll R. Bradeen, Nellie M. Denoncourt,
Azilda M. Goodreau, Martha M. Wentworth, Arthur Wentworth.

WINTER TERM.—Carroll R. Bradeen, Arthur Wentworth.

SOUTH SCHOOL.

SPRING TERM.—Louise Harriman.

FALL TERM.—Mary E. Doucette, Mary A. Harriman.

WINTER TERM.—Mary A. Harriman, Louise Harriman.

FINANCIAL STATEMENT.

Balance on hand April 1, 1903	\$5 66
Amount raised by taxation	\$1,562 00
Amount of State school fund, 1903	256 57
Amount of Literary fund, 1903	107 38
Amount of dog license, 1902	116 62
	<hr/> 2,042 57
Amount received from Selectmen	\$2,048 23
Amount of school expenses to February 15, 1904	2,028 99
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Balance on hand February 15, 1904,	\$19 24

BOOKS AND SUPPLIES.

Amount appropriated	\$150 00
Amount expended	142 30
Balance on hand	<hr/> 7 70

INSURANCE.

Amount appropriated	\$25 00
Amount expended	21 60
Balance on hand February 15, 1904,	<hr/> 3 40
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Total amount on hand Feb. 15, 1904	\$30 34

POLLARD GRAMMAR SCHOOL (No. 3).

Spring term, paid Bertha M. Still for teaching 13 weeks, at \$10.00 . . .	\$130 00	
Fall term, paid Bertha M. Still for teaching 13 weeks, at \$10.00 . . .	130 00	
Winter term, paid Bertha M. Still for teaching 10 weeks at \$10.00 . . .	\$100 00	
People's House Furnishing Co., 1 chair,	1 80	
People's House Furnishing Co., 1 desk,	12 40	
Rand, McNally & Co., 1 set globe series maps	18 58	
	<hr/>	\$392 78

POLLARD PRIMARY SCHOOL (No. 5).

Spring term, paid Lillie F. Eaton for teaching 13 weeks, at \$8.00 . . .	\$104 00	
Fall term, paid Nellie McNealy for teaching 13 weeks, at \$8.00 . . .	104 00	
Winter term, paid Nellie McNealy for teaching 10 weeks, at \$8.00 . . .	80 00	
Paid Horace Kimball, for care of both rooms for school year	33 00	
Paid Horace Kimball, for sawing 1-2 cord wood	75	
Paid D. H. Maguire, insurance . . .	8 00	
J. W. Sleeper, 1-2 cord wood . . .	2 50	
E. E. Peaslee, 1-2 cord kindling . . .	2 00	
“ baluster stock . . .	18	
C. W. Cass, 9,430 lbs. coal	35 63	
Frank Parker, setting glass	50	
	<hr/>	\$370 56

WESTVILLE SCHOOL (No. 1).

Spring term, paid Nellie McNealy for teaching 13 weeks, at \$8.00 . . .	\$104 00
Fall term, paid Mae C. Brooks for teaching 13 weeks, at \$8.00	91 00

Winter term, paid Mae C. Brooks for teaching 10 weeks, at \$8.00 . . .	\$80 00
Marie L. Sultaire for care of room for school year	16 75
Marie L. Sultaire sawing 3 1-2 cords wood	2 65
D. H. Maguire, insurance	3 50
J. W. Sleeper, 2 cords wood . . .	10 00
Simonds & Adams, 2 dippers . . .	34
E. E. Peaslee, 2 1-2 cords kindling . .	10 00
E. E. Peaslee, 1 cord hard wood . .	5 00
Frank Parker, desk	5 00
G. H. Tucker, horse to deliver desk .	50
C. H. Taxleton & Co., 1 broom . . .	35
C. H. Taxleton & Co., 1 brush broom .	30
	————— \$329 39

CLARK DISTRICT SCHOOL (No. 6).

Spring term, paid Ann W. C. Merrill for teaching 13 weeks, at \$7.00	\$91 00
Fall term, paid Ann W. C. Merrill, for teaching 13 weeks, at \$7.00	91 00
Winter term, paid Ann W. C. Merrill for teaching 10 weeks, at \$7.00 . . .	70 00
M. M. Wentworth, taking care of school-house for school year	15 25
M. M. Wentworth, cleaning school-room	3 00
M. M. Wentworth, 5 ft. wood sawed .	2 50
Wentworth Bros., sawing 3 1-2 cords of wood	2 63
Wentworth Bros., cleaning out vaults .	2 00
Simonds & Adams, one flag	1 50
Simonds & Adams, two dippers . . .	34
D. H. Maguire, insurance	3 50
Walker & Pratt Manufacturing Co., one grate	1 00

J. W. Sleeper, 3 1-2 cords hard wood .	\$17 50	
Haverhill House Heating Co., 17 1-2 lbs. funnel, elbow and damper . . .	2 40	
McGratty & Wheeler, glass . . .	22	
George H. Tucker, putting up stove pipe,	75	
E. E. Peaslee, 1-2 cord kindling . . .	2 00	
People's House Furnishing Co., two chairs	4 20	
Frank Parker, setting glass . . .	75	
C. H. Taxleton & Co., one broom . .	35	
C. E. Crockett, repairing roof . . .	1 00	
		\$312 89

SOUTH SCHOOL (No. 4).

Spring term, paid Mattie J. LaBonta for teaching 13 weeks, at \$8.00 . . .	\$104 00	
Fall term, paid Mattie J. LaBonta for teaching 12 weeks, at \$8.00 . . .	96 00	
Winter term, paid Mattie J. LaBonta for teaching 3 weeks, at \$8.00 . . .	24 00	
Winter term, paid Ida E. Bancroft for teaching 7 weeks, 3 days, at \$7.00 .	53 20	
Mattie J. LaBonta, for sweeping Spring, Fall, and 3 weeks of Winter term .	7 25	
Mattie J. LaBonta, furnishing supplies,	79	
Ida E. Bancroft, for sweeping 8 weeks of Winter term	2 00	
Leon V. Pickard, building fires 8 weeks, Spring term	2 00	
Harry Merrifield, building fires 18 weeks, Fall and Winter terms	4 50	
Harry Merrifield, 17 ft. hard wood .	11 69	
“ sawing 4 1-2 cords wood	3 09	
R. E. Bartlett, for carrying teacher to school	75	

Charles E. Day, 2 cords hard wood . . .	\$9 50
D. H. Maguire, insurance	3 00
George H. Tucker, horse 3 times to deliver supplies	1 50
E. E. Peaslee, 1 1-2 cords kindling . . .	6 00
Ida E. Bancroft, bookkeeping papers . .	25
Leon V. Pickard, sawing 1-2 cord wood, .	25
Isadore Gauthier, repairing desk	50
Frank Parker, dressing and labor on blackboards	95
Frank Parker, setting glass	50
“ fares to Boston to secure teachers	3 74
A. A. Sawyer, fare to Boston to secure teacher	1 39
	<hr/> \$336 85

NORTH MAIN STREET SCHOOL (No. 2).

Spring term, paid Lena M. Doty for teaching 13 weeks, at \$7.00 . . .	\$91 90
Fall term, paid Alice M. Messer for teaching 13 weeks, at \$7.00 . . .	91 00
Winter term, paid Alice M. Messer for teaching 10 weeks, at \$7.00 . . .	70 00
Lena M. Doty, for sweeping 13 weeks, spring term	3 25
Alice M. Messer, for sweeping 23 weeks, fall and winter terms	5 75
Delbert Reynolds, building fires 7 weeks, spring term	1 75
Grover C. Blye, building fires 18 weeks, fall and winter terms	4 50
Simonds & Adams, one flag	1 50
D. H. Maguire, insurance	3 60
E. E. Peaslee 1-2 cord kindling	2 00
John M. Kimball, 3 3-4 cords hard wood, .	19 25
John M. Kimball, 3-4 cord pine wood . .	3 00

John M. Kimball, sawing 4 1-2 cords wood	\$2 25	
People's House Furnishing Co., one chair,	2 40	
C. H. Taxleton & Co., one broom	35	
	<hr/>	\$301 60

BOOKS AND SUPPLIES.

Ginn & Co., supplies	\$28 54	
E. E. Babb & Co., supplies	65 98	
Silner, Burdett & Co., books	44 28	
J. L. Hammet Co., 6 diplomas and en- graving same	3 50	
	<hr/>	\$142 30

SUNDRIES.

B. & M. R. R., freight on supplies	\$1 52	
American Express Co., express on sup- plies,	1 50	
McGratty & Wheeler, glass	72	
Frank Parker, postage and stationery	1 50	
A. A. Sawyer, postage and stationery	1 28	
	<hr/>	\$6 52

RECAPITULATION.

Pollard Grammar School	\$392 78	
Pollard Primary School	370 56	
Westville School	329 39	
North Main Street School	301 60	
South School	336 85	
Clark District School	312 89	
Books and supplies	142 30	
Sundries	6 52	
	<hr/>	\$2,192 89

Respectfully submitted,

FRANK PARKER,
ALGERNON A. SAWYER
CHARLES W. CASS,

BOARD OF EDUCATION.

PLAISTOW, N. H., February 19th, 1904.

The undersigned hereby certify that they have this day examined the accounts of the School Board of the Town of Plaistow, for the year ending February 15th, 1904, and that they find the same properly kept, and vouchers on file for all expenditures.

HARRY A. DAVIS,
FRANK C. SMITH,
AUDITORS.

STATISTICAL REPORT OF THE SCHOOL BOARD

Whole number of pupils registered during the year;	185
Boys	93
Girls	92
Number under six years of age	18
Number between six and sixteen years of age	160
Average attendance in all schools together	116,3717
Average absence in all schools together	21,2613
Average membership in all schools together	137,1488
Number between five and sixteen not attending any school	15
Greatest number of scholars in any school	39
Least number	23
Number of different resident scholars between five and sixteen years of age attending parochial schools during the year	14
Number of different resident scholars between five and sixteen years of age attending private schools or schools out of town	14

